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| Filing Date | January 05, 2001 |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on February 01, 2005
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
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- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

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